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**Submission for fast track motorway-Woodend concerning Jelfs Road**

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Please consider my submission for the planning for the fast track of the Motorway to be constructed adjacent to our property

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To whom it may concern,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Fast Track approval process for the SH1 Kaiapoi–Woodend to Pegasus Bypass project.

While I support the idea of the bypass overall, I have serious concerns about how stormwater and runoff will be managed. These concerns relate to the possible effects on nearby land, including a higher risk of flooding, reduced land use, and limited property access — especially around the Jelfs Road area.

After reviewing the Stormwater and Flooding Assessment and the General Arrangement drawings (Sheet 11, Ref No. RD DRG 9111), it appears the proposal involves increasing culvert capacity to the Waihora Stream and directing extra stormwater from both the new bypass and the Woodend Beach Road overpass into this system.

The Stormwater and Flooding Assessment describes Waihora Stream as an overflow channel of the Taranaki Stream that only carries water during high-flow or flood events. By the time it reaches the area southeast of SH1, it is described as “a broad, poorly defined channel that only flows during flood flows.”

This means it is not a stable or reliable stream, but an occasional overflow path that depends on flood conditions and low lying land to move water.

This matches what can be seen on the ground. In and around Jelfs Road, the so-called Waihora Stream is not a formed or maintained waterway. It is more like a shallow, overgrown drainage depression with very limited capacity. It is not maintained, is blocked by vegetation and debris, and does not function as a consistent drainage channel.

Given these concerns, I request that a **review and different plan is proposed** to properly assess the potential disruption to natural water runoff and the likely impacts on surrounding properties.

Yours Sincerely

Katrina Morris

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